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Orthographical Innovations.

Many celebrated persons, without entering
into an orthographical crusade and revolution-
izing the English spelling, like James E. Rhin-
stone, a man of considerable learning—who
commenced a treatise on the subject thus:
"To those who prize the large work, a suc-
cinct view of English orthography may be ac-
ceptable, as a quiet way, entered their
progress, for instance, therefore, height, in
which last was followed by Lander, who also
wrote Aristotle on analogy of Empedocles,
which is rarely, except in a young ladies' finish-
ing school, pronounced Empedocle, though he
hesitated to write Brute or Lucrece on the
analogy of Terence, nor on the analogy of Pliny
did he venture to speak of Marins by that
name for which Byron confesses his preferential
passion. Tennyson has adopted Plow. The
timid Cowper was bold enough to write Greece
in his translation of Homer, after the fashion
of Greece. Lardner wrote claudenst,
famin, (in words of this kind the final "e")
seems not only useless but injurious," peruse,
said, profuse. A sample of Mitford's pecu-
liarities is laid, endeavor. He considered the
"s" in the former word, what indeed it is,
a graft of ignorance. Here, lately followed by
Farquhar, held it so much of a baseness to spell
fashionably that he roundly abused such
pettified words as spelled for spite in the
proterities of weak verbs, and gave us preach-
ing, etc., with such genitive plurals as geniuses,
and threw into the bargain luvy and
atchieve. He also maintained that "ante-
ceding proceeding consonant, or lengthening a
preceding vowel, byron, finding it impossible to
determine but from the context whether "read"
be past or present, wrote readed, though he
might have written red like led, there being
little fear of its being confounded with the color.
This will involve against our established
system, if the result of custom and accident
may be called system, as a mass of anomalies,
the growth of ignorance and chance, equally
repugnant to good taste and common sense.
But notwithstanding the good bishop's tirades,
the British public never, never will be slaves,
even to an academy. They cling to their old
spelling with an impulsion proportioned to its
inconvenience, and are as jealous of any en-
croachment on their prescriptive domain as of
a trespass on their right in the public parks.
We knew what would become of English loy-
alty if her most gracious majesty were to take
it into her royal head to close St. James's
Tyrwhitt, aware of this, contented himself
with but few variations, such as rime, a spelling
which derivation, analogy, and ancient use
alike support, and could, which being obviously
derived from rime adds in its present state to
the unnecessary anomalies in our language.
The obtaining orthography arose out of unfor-
tunate probably with would from will and should
from shall, and even in these words the "i"
has unfortunately long ceased to be pronounced.
With regard to rime, it was perhaps bet-
ter written rime, to distinguish it from hoar-
frost. The Elizabethan impurity of the "h"
has been traced to Daniel. It is never found in
Milton or Shakespeare. It arose most like-
ly from the notion that the word was connect-
ed with rhythm. The learned Trench, in his
"English Past and Present," 1863, curiously
enough dissects "y" to rhyme as a modern
spelling. —Cornhill Magazine.

DEAD SHOT ON COONS.—A racoon put in
an appearance on Central avenue, near Allen
street, yesterday. A hoodlum saw the coon
and went for it with a brick. The coon flew
from danger, and went for liberty and a tree.
He got both. Hoodlum, not having his climb-
ing trowsers on, goes for a pistol and a crowd.
The crowd and pistol returned in a few mo-
ments and took a bird's-eye view of the coon,
and then held a consultation as to the best
mode of capturing him.

While the crowd was talking over, a stranger
with a faded countenance came along on a slow
march and enquired the cause of the gathering
of the multitude. One of the hoodlums said,
"Look up there." The stranger cast his
weathered eye up the tree and all-eyed it to
wander along the limb until it came to the
coon, when it rested. The stranger then elated
his hind leg and placed it alongside of
his nose. He remained in a brown study
about two seconds, when he said, "I'm a dead
shot on coons. Bring me a pistol and be ready
to swop up the remains."
The pistol was handed to the stranger. As
soon as he took the pistol in his hand he com-
menced to tremble, and one of the crowd said
he was in a splendid condition to shake car-
pets. The stranger gave him a withering
glance and then said, "I always cultivate a
treasure in my pistol hand when I go shooting
coons, so as to scatter the shot and give the
coon an easy death." Having expanded in
his shooting quences, he invited the crowd to
stand back. They did so. The stranger then
climbed the tree slowly, but before he got to
it up as high as his shirt-collar it went off sud-
denly. Instead of shooting the coon, he placed
the entire charge of the pistol in the right arm
of Maurice Fitzgerald, who resides at No. 429
Central avenue.

As soon as the stranger discovered the coon
did not drop from the tree, he dropped from
the view suddenly, and was last seen coming
down Washington avenue looking for some-
thing to quiet his nerves. —Albany Post.

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